

ZIP CODE 87501

Nature Conservancy Trail

Cerro Gordo

- Distance:** one-way to Audobon Center is 0.53
Difficulty: grade 3
Trail Surface: fairly well maintained dirt trail; recommended use in summer and fall only
Attractions: nature preserve around area of old reservoir, benches
Cross Streets: Upper Canyon Rd and Cerro Gordo
Santa Fe Trails: Route M is the closest
Public Facilities: none
Parking: parking lot on Cerro Gordo

Notes: The preserve was launched in April 2000 when the Public Service Company of New Mexico donated the site to the Conservancy. Since then the Conservancy has worked to restore the land to its natural state and constructed an interpretive trail detailing the colorful history and fragile ecology of the place. Within the preserve are the ruins of Old Stone Dam, built in 1881. This was the city's first official attempt to harness the Santa Fe River to supply local residents with water.

